



Mr. Greville Wynne reunited with his wife and son in London yesterday.

MR. GREVILLE WYNNE FREED IN BERLIN EXCHANGE

FROM GAOL TO FAMILY IN 24 HOURS

CPYRGHT From Our Diplomatic Correspondent

Greville Wynne and Gordon Lonsdale were exchanged at a Berlin checkpoint at 5.35 a.m. yesterday. Lonsdale, a Russian using an assumed name, was sentenced at the Central Criminal Court in March, 1961 to 25 years' imprisonment for espionage.

Last May, six months after his arrest in Hungary, Mr. Wynne was sentenced in Moscow to eight years' deprivation of liberty. He had pleaded Guilty, "with certain reservations", to espionage charges.

The exchange was kept secret until almost the last moment. Lonsdale was taken to Berlin and Mr. Wynne, who is 45, was brought back in an R.A.F. aircraft. There were no major demonstrations in Berlin and traffic through the Heerstrasse checkpoint was temporarily stopped. The exchange took about 12

positive significance for Anglo-Russian relations. In a negative way, it could hardly have been brought off at a time of tension. The initiative for the exchange apparently came from Russia, although there had been some public demand for it in Britain.

Mr. Wynne, managing director of Mobile Exhibitions, Ltd., was arrested on November 2, 1962, and in spite of repeated requests from the British Minister the Hungarian authorities refused access to him. A couple of days later the Hungarian Government said he had been "extradited to the competent Soviet authorities", but it is generally believed that he was in fact

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